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Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claims 1 – 49 (Canceled)

Claim 50 (Previously presented): A system of garment closures comprising at least a first and second electrically operable garment closure each arranged for electrically operable opening, wherein:

a) said closures are for use with one at least garments selected from one at least of:

lingerie, panties, dress, trousers, shirt, blouse, belt, jumper, bra, swimming costume, hose, skirt, kilt, blouse, socks, tie, cravat, sweater, belt, glove, suspenders, fancy dress, shoes, sandals, and or any other item of clothing;

and

b) said first and second closures are responsive to at least one output from a control device,

and

c) the first closure is arranged to respond in preference to the second closure and or the second closure is arranged to respond in preference to the first closure.

Claim 51 (Previously presented): A system of garment closures of claim 50 wherein:

a) the output that the first closure is responsive to is a wireless output and or wired output,

and or

b) the output that the second closure is responsive to is a wireless output and or wired output.

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Claim 52 (Previously presented): A system of garment closures of claim 51 wherein at least one of the wireless outputs comprises one at least of:

- a) radiofrequency,
- b) infrared.

Claim 53 (Previously presented): A system of garment closures of claim 51 wherein the output for the first closure comprises information ("first content") and the output for the second closure comprises information ("second content").

Claim 54 (Previously presented): A system of garment closures of claim 53 wherein the first content is distinct to the second content.

Claim 55 (Previously presented): A system of garment closures of claim 54 wherein the first closure responds to the first content preferentially to the second content and the second closure responds to the second content preferentially to the first content.

Claim 56 (Previously presented): A system of garment closures of claim 55 wherein the first and second content comprise digital content.

Claim 57 (Previously presented): A system of garment closures of claim 56 wherein the digital content comprises one at least of: control, address, and or data.

Claim 58 (Previously presented): A system of garment closures of claim 51 wherein a common output is used by the first and second closure and the closure that responds is determined in part at least by the output content.

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Claim 59 (Previously presented): A system of garment closures of claim 58 wherein the output content comprises digital content and the content for response by the first closure is distinct to the content for response by the second closure.

Claim 60 (Previously presented): A system of garment closures of claim 59 wherein the digital content comprises one at least of: control, address, and or data.

Claim 61 (Previously presented): A system of garment closures of claim 58 wherein the wired output comprises one at least electrical conductors.

Claim 62 (Previously presented): A system of garment closures of claim 61 wherein a plurality of bits of digital content are transferred in serial format on at least one of the conductors.

Claim 63 (Previously presented): A system of garment closures of claim 61 wherein digital content is transferred in a parallel format using at least two of the conductors.

Claim 64 (Previously presented): A system of garment closures as claimed in claim 50 wherein the first electrically operable garment closure is further arranged to respond in preference to the second electrically operable garment closure when both the first and second closure are concurrently exposed to an output from the first control device.

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Claim 65 (Previously presented): A system of garment closures as claimed in claim 50 wherein said opening of at least one of the closures is determined in part at least by the processing of information related to at least one of:

- a) voice,
- b) audio,
- c) music,
- d) image,
- e) telephone touch tones,
- f) output from an audiovisual remote control,
- g) a position of the garment closure,
- h) a plurality of events.

Claim 66 (Previously presented): A system of garment closures as claimed in claim 50 wherein said opening of at least one of the closures is determined in part at least by the processing of information related to at least one of:

- a) alphanumeric information,
- b) descriptive information,
- c) encrypted information,
- d) information for restricting the unauthorised opening of at least one of the closures,
- e) an access limit,
- f) time and or date information,
- g) randomly generated and or selected information.

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Claim 67 (Previously presented): A system of garment closures as claimed in claim 50 wherein said opening of at least one of the closures is determined in part at least by the processing of information related to at least one of information:

- a) transferred by telephone,
- b) selected from an electronic display,
- c) provided by a keyboard,
- d) transferred by computer network,
- e) transferred by internet,
- f) derived from the processing of information from a computer coupled to a display terminal.

Claim 68 (Previously presented): A system of garment closures of claim 50 wherein said opening of at least one of the closures is determined in part at least by the processing of information related to the progress and or outcome of a game wherein said game comprises one at least of:

- a computer game,
- a card game,
- a board game,
- a game of chance,
- a quiz, and or
- any other game.

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Claim 69 (Previously presented): A system of garment closures as claimed in claim 50 wherein operation of the first and or second closure is enabled and or facilitated by one at least of:

- a) user programmable information stored on computer readable medium;
- b) a computer program stored on computer readable media for execution on a computer coupled to a display means.

Claim 70 (Previously presented): A system of garment closures as claimed in claim 50 wherein operation of at least one said closure is facilitated by a systematic compilation of at least one of alphanumeric information or descriptive information relating to the closure.

Claim 71 (Previously presented): A system of garment closures as claimed in claim 50 wherein said response includes opening of the closure using one at least of:

- i) electro-magnet,
- ii) passage of electric current through shape memory alloy,
- iii) electrically heating a fluid,
- iv) motor means,
- v) force means powered by electricity.

Claim 72 (Previously presented): A system of garment closures as claimed in claim 50 wherein the closures are reusable after opening in response to the output.

Claim 73 (Previously presented): A system of garment closures of claim 56 further comprising an electrically illuminable means coupled to one of the closures.

Claims 74 – 88 (Canceled)